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Intimations.

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IN accordance with the Provisions of
Ordinance No. 6 of 1875 the EX-
CHANGE BANKS will be CLOSED for
the Transaction of Public Business on
GOOD FRIDAY and EASTER MONDAY,
the 13th and 14th instants.

Hongkong, April 10, 1906. 761

FIRE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION OF HONGKONG.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that
the FIRE INSURANCE OFFICES will
be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public
Business on GOOD FRIDAY and EASTER
MONDAY, the 13th and 14th instants.

By Order,
A. R. LAURE,
Secretary.

Hongkong, April 11, 1906. 777

NOTICE.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

EASTER HOLIDAYS.

ON FRIDAY, 13th inst., and MONDAY,
14th inst., all Departments will be
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Hongkong, April 12, 1906. 778

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Hongkong, April 12, 1906. 781

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Hongkong, March 24, 1906. 665

NOTICE.

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has this day RE-OPENED at its
FORMER PLACE, 2nd Floor of No. 14,
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Hongkong, April 10, 1906. 782

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s.s. PATSHAN, 2,260 tons, Captain R. D. Thomas.
s.s. HANKOW, 3,073 tons, Captain C. V. Lloyd.
s.s. KINSHAW, 1,985 tons, Captain J. J. Losius.
Departures from HONGKONG to CANTON daily at 8.30 a.m. (Sunday Excepted), 9 p.m.
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THE OFFICES of the COMPANY have
this day been REMOVED to the
SECOND FLOOR of No. 1, QUEEN'S
BUILDINGS, facing Harbour (lately vac-
ated by the Union Insurance Society of
Canton, Ltd.).

T. ARIMA,
Manager.

Hongkong, April 9, 1906. 753

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the
Directors of the Bank have made a
CALL of \$1 PER SHARE on all the Shares
of the NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LTD.,
such call to be paid on the 31st of July
1906 either to the Liquidator of the
Bank at the Office of the Bank, 61 Old
Broad Street, in the City of London, or to
the Managing Director at the Head Office
of the Bank, Victoria Buildings, Queen's
Road Central, Hongkong; at the
option of the shareholders paying the call.
In default of Payment INTEREST at the
Rate of 10% PER ANNUM will be CHARGED
from the 2nd of July, 1906, until the
said call is actually paid, as provided in
Article No. 32 of the Articles of As-
sociation.

By Order,
G. O. MOXON,
Managing Director.
Hongkong, April 10, 1906. 760

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Hongkong, April 9, 1906. 1929

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SATURDAY, 21st April, at 8 o'clock.
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Hongkong, April 9, 1906. 762

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Hongkong, April 9, 1906. 603

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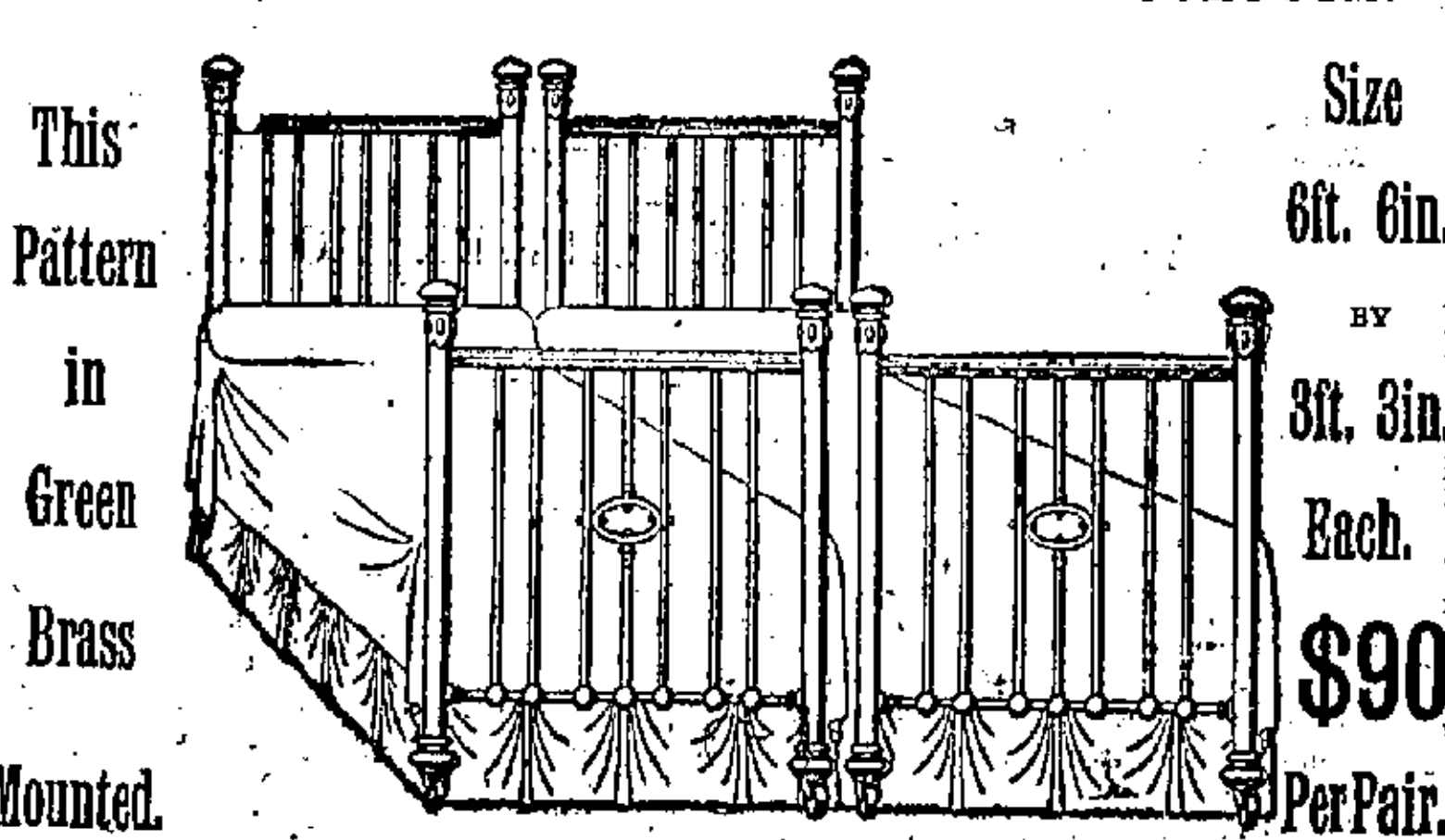
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Hongkong, March 2, 1906. 450

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Hongkong, April 6, 1906. 726

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the following Goods at present in the Custody of the above-named Company will be SOLD BY PUBLIC AUCTION by Mr GEO. P. LAMBERT, at the Company's West Point Godowns, on the 21st day of April, at 11 A.M., unless the same are previously taken delivery of and the charges due in respect thereof paid. 205 Cases BRANDY stored by Yik Kze on 20/2/1906 under G/Warrant No. 54569. 200 Cases BRANDY stored by Yik Kze on 9/4/1906 under G/Warrant No. 54526. 61 BAGS RICE stored by Hing Sen on 4/1/1906 under G/Warrant No. 2794. **EDWARD OSBORNE,** Secretary. Hongkong, April 12, 1906. 785

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Intimations.

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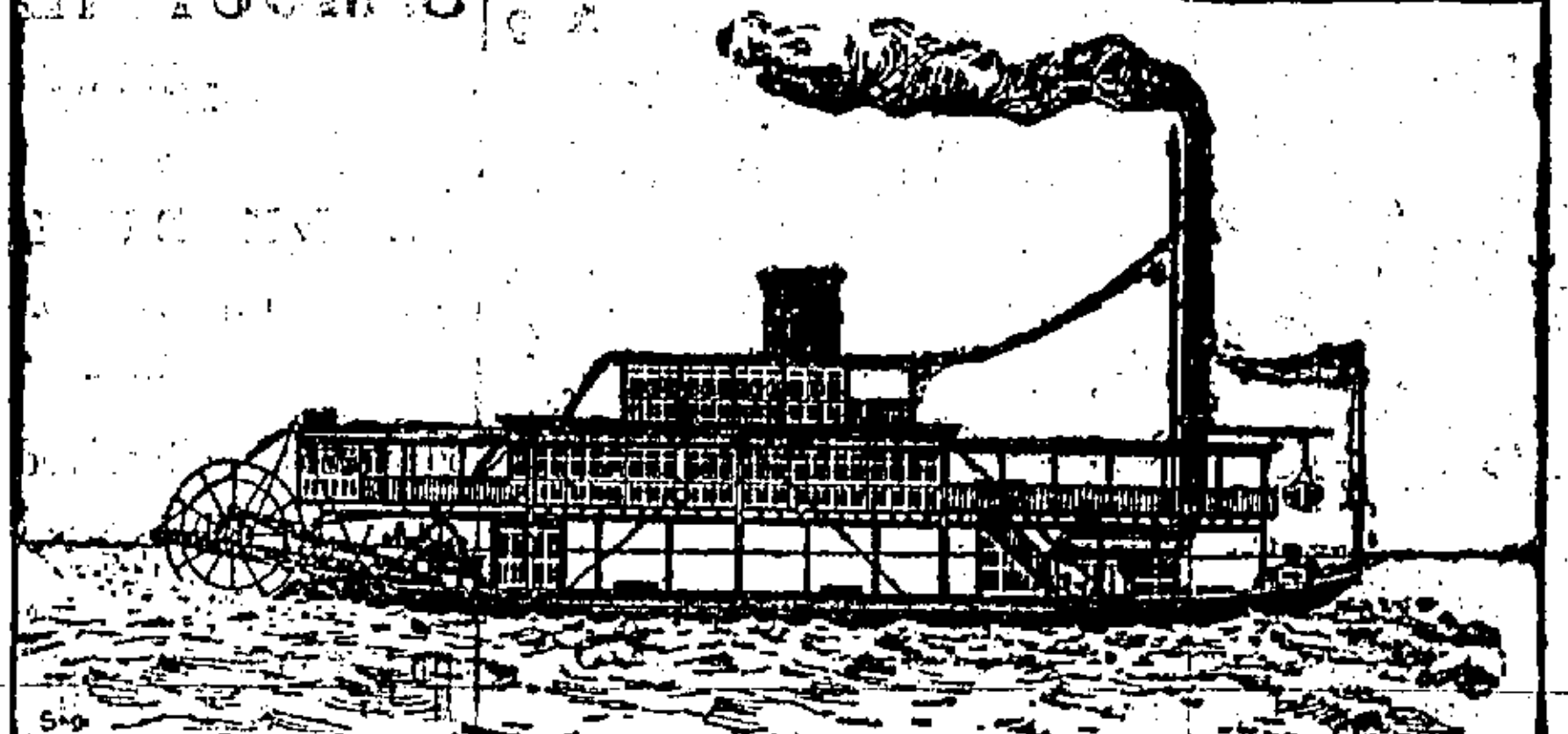
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Germania.....medium	100	100	1.80
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General Memoranda.

TUESDAY, April 17:—
9.30 a.m.—Military Gun Practice.
11 a.m.—Auction of Towels, Opera
Glasses, &c., at Mr F. Kien's Sales
Rooms.
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household Furni-
ture, at No. 12, Austin Avenue, Kow-
loon.
Goods per *Prinz Sigismund* undelivered
after this date subject to rent.

WEDNESDAY, April 18:—
Transfer Books of Union Insurance
Society of Canton, Ld., close from
this date to 23rd April inclusive.
Goods per *Sichuan* undelivered after this
date will be landed.
Goods per *Szechuan* undelivered after this
date subject to rent.

THURSDAY, April 19:—
11 a.m.—Government Bills received by
Chief Paymaster, Army Pay Depart-
ment.
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Silver, Ivory, Lac-
quer & Sandalwood Ware, &c., at Mr
Geo. P. Lammer's Sales Room.

FRIDAY, April 20:—
Goods per *Wing Castle* undelivered after
this date subject to rent.

SATURDAY, April 21:—
8 p.m.—Annual Dinner of Hongkong
Football Club, at Hongkong Hotel.

WEDNESDAY, April 25:—
3.15 p.m.—Meeting of Philippine Co.,
Ld., at the Office of National Bank of
China, Ld.

SATURDAY, April 28:—
Noon—Meeting of Union Insurance So-
ciety of Canton, Ld., at Head Office.
12.15 p.m.—Meeting of China Traders'
Insurance Co., Ld., at Head Office.

THURSDAY, May 3:—
3 p.m.—Auction of Leasehold Property,
at Messrs Hughes & Hough's Sales
Rooms.

NOTICE.

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The China Mail.

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, APRIL 14, 1906.

HARBOUR IMPROVEMENT.

THE Government is understood to have
under consideration a scheme for the
improvement of the harbour. People of
cynical disposition are apt to smile when
they encounter the expression "under
consideration." It is true that the
phrase is often used for purposes
of diplomatic evasion and that matters
have been known to remain under con-
sideration for such a length of time that
they have been forgotten. But there is
no reason for supposing that there will
be no tangible outcome of the mental
incubation of a scheme of harbour im-
provement. The Government is fully
seized with the importance of the matter.
Hongkong is first and last a port, and
can never be anything else. Conse-
quently the improvement and augmenta-
tion of facilities for shipping is of
greater importance than any other prob-
lem with which the wisdom of the
Government is called upon to grapple.

The matter should receive priority of
attention. One statement that has been
pretty generally made, although we are
not aware that it has been officially en-
dorsed, is that the question of expen-
se is the stumbling block. This can hardly
be so. Expense is only a relative mat-
ter. A Government must be guided by
the same considerations as a company
or an individual. If a company which
exists by the manufacture of a certain
article finds that its rivals are using im-
proved machinery, it does not continue
to use its own obsolete plant. In the
event of not having enough capital at
command it issues a long dated loan,
confident in the knowledge that the new
plant will so increase the profits that
the interest on the loan will be met and
a sinking fund established for its ul-
timate redemption. The Government of
Hongkong can borrow money much
more cheaply than any company or
individual. Obviously, whatever the
amount required might be, it would be
justified in passing the burden of debt
on to posterity. Those who follow us

will share in the advantages arising
from an improvement of the port, and it
is just that they should likewise share in
the cost incidental to effecting such im-
provements. Singapore and Shanghai
are evidently quite wide awake to the
importance of increasing their attrac-
tiveness as ports. They are both
spending millions of dollars in providing
additional facilities. The credit of
Hongkong is as good as that of either of
these places and we start with the great
advantage of having a good port to
begin with. Consequently the question
of cost need not be considered as an
insuperable obstacle. Really the only
difficulty is to decide upon a scheme
which will secure for shipping the safety
and the facilities which are necessary.
One of the most urgent requirements is,
as we have pointed out previously, the
establishment of a safe and commodious
typhoon shelter. Mr Danby, M.I.C.E.,
who has perhaps as intimate a know-
ledge of the port and its possibilities as
any man in Hongkong or elsewhere, has,
we understand, worked out a scheme for
such a shelter. No doubt the Govern-
ment will avail itself of Mr Danby's
special knowledge when it commences
to take some definite steps. But im-
portant as a storm shelter undoubtedly
is, provision for loading and unloading
with safety and celerity is equally so,
and it is to be hoped that whatever
scheme is ultimately adopted will secure
both these essentials.

We believe that some of the Chinese
newspapers published in Hongkong did
not issue a number on Thursday last,
because it was the anniversary of the
death of the last emperor of the Ming
dynasty. It is well known, of course,
that a large number of the more
progressive Chinese, who have no part
or lot with the doings of the Triad
Society, still have no sympathy with the
present reigning dynasty in China,
and secretly look forward to the day
when a native-born Chinese will be
seated on the throne. What particular
virtue there may be in not publishing
their newspapers on that day does not
appear to the uninitiated, except that
the various members of the staff
get a holiday. It is true this action
will tend to remind their readers of the
occasion, and this perhaps will do
something to foster, if not to create, a
sympathy for the cause they have at
heart.

The man who has no very decided
views on the liquor question is puzzled
from time to time by the pronouncements
of authorities. Laymen are naturally
inclined to lay great store upon the
judgment of medical men in this con-
nection. The misfortune is that they
almost invariably disagree. One
eminent authority will declare that
alcohol in any shape or form is bad;
another, with an equally high reputa-
tion, will hold that moderate indulgence
is innocuous. But when the doctors
begin to attack the beverages for which
nearly all of us have a weakness things
begin to look serious. A Dr Rigby of
Preston has recently declared that the
evil attendant upon the abuse of tea
are even graver than those from drink.
He claims that tea drinking is re-
sponsible for a ghastly array of ailments.
It would perhaps be well to let the
medical gentleman speak for himself.
"To enumerate the diseases caused
by tea," he declares "is like writing a
quack advertisement. It produces an-
emia, chronic gastritis, dyspepsia
and emaciation; lays the founda-
tion for gastric ulcer; causes irrita-
bility of the nerves, and a whole
host of nervous disorders. If any
one were desirous of amassing a
fortune, no surer plan of doing so could
be devised than to make up pills of in-
nocent materials, such as breadcrumbs
and extract of hops; and, in the direc-
tions for their use by the public,
stipulate that the patient should abstain
from the use of tea. The pill would
have an enormous sale, would do a
vast amount of good, and would relieve
a great amount of suffering. In fact,
it would, I believe, prove more bene-
ficial than the closing of half the pub-
lic houses in Preston."

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BY TELEGRAPH.

THE TRAVELLING COMMISSION.

DEPARTING FROM GERMANY.

(Chinese Mail's Special Service.)
PEKING, April 12.
The Travelling Commission wired to
the Peking Government that they have
finished their investigations in Germany
and that they leave for Denmark on the
13th.

CANTON-HANKOW LINE.

INQUIRIES FROM PEKING.

(Chinese Mail's Special Service.)
PEKING, April 12.
The Board of Commerce has tele-
graphed the Viceroy of Liang Kiang
provinces to the effect that the people
of Kwangtung have subscribed a capital
of close on \$20,000,000 for the con-
struction of the Canton-Hankow Rail-
way and asked the Viceroy to give
information as to what the people of
the Liang Kiang intend doing.

CHINESE OFFICIALS ILL.

WANG WEN SHAO FAILING.

(Chinese Mail's Special Service.)
PEKING, April 12.
Wang Wen Shao, Prime Minister of
the Grand Council, and Tong Shao-jao,
President of the Board of Commerce,
are dangerously ill.

[Wang Wen Shao is a very aged minister,
and has been on the grand Council for a
number of years. It will be remembered that
during the Boxer trouble in 1900, when
the Court fled to Hsianfu, Wang was
among the party. Tong Shao-jao, who is
a native of Huang Shan District, near
Nanking, was in 1902 Tsoai of the Customs
at Tientsin: appointed Chinese plenipoten-
tiary to proceed to India for the negotia-
tion with Great Britain of the Tibet Con-
vention, which was, however, not concluded
when he was recalled to Peking, and was
made, through the influence of Viceroy
Yuan Shi Kai, President of the Board of
Commerce, which post he now holds.—
Ed., O.M.]

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

The Hon. Mr Edward Osborne has been

made a member of the Medical Board.
Lieut. Col. Jostling has resigned from the
Sanitary Board and Lieut. Col.
Sparkes has been appointed in his stead.

Mr and Mrs A. R. Fullerton have left
the Colony for Home on a year's holiday.
They departed on the P. and O. s.s.
"Java."

The following is the programme of music
to be performed by the band of the 119th
Infantry on the Parade Ground on Monday
next from 5 to 6.30 p.m.:—March 'The
Rifle Regiment' (Souza), Overture 'La
Reine d'un Jour' (Adam), Waltz 'Loyalty'
(Wheeler), Selection 'The Cigales'
(Monckton), Piccolo Solo 'Golden Sparks'
(Brewer), New Dance 'The Chorolista'
(Scott).

The German Mail of the 13th March
was delivered in London on the 14th April.

The report of the Director of the
Hongkong Observatory is published in the
current issue of the *Government Gazette*.

Aristocratic Gamblers.

The London police descended on a
fashionable gaming house in the city on
Feb. 23 with orders to show no favours,
and made over fifty arrests. Among those
captured were two peers of the realm, a well-
known musician, and besides several other
noted personages two generals, lawyers,
and even politicians. Several amusing
incidents took place. Three members of the
nobility jumped through a back window,
and, entering the American Legation
through the kitchen, made their way to the
front door and escaped. Another, who is a
lawyer of renown, dropped from the roof
into the railway station, and, entering a
convenient train, spent the rest of the
night at Chitra. Yet another, in his
fright, hid himself in the tunnel just out-
side the railway station, and narrowly
escaped being killed by a passing train.
His arrival later at his club, where he
appeared hatless and with a torn coat, was
enthusiastically acclaimed by his friends.

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BY TELEGRAPH.

THE EDUCATION BILL.

OPPOSITION OF BISHOPS.

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuters,
via Bombay).
London, April 12.
A conference of Bishops has been
held at Lambeth Palace to discuss the
Education Bill recently introduced by
Mr Birrell.
The Bishops resolved to give unhe-
sitating opposition to the measure.

AMERICA AND CHINA.

CONGRESS AND THE EXCLUSION ACT.

Extensive Revision Proposed.
(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuters,
via Bombay).
London, April 12.
A Bill has been introduced in Con-
gress at Washington with the object
of extensively revising the Chinese
Exclusion Act.
The revision is suggested with a
view to harmonising the differences
now existing between China and
America.

RUSSIA'S PARLIAMENT.

DEMOCRATS AT WORK.

Drafting Liberal Measures.
(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuters,
via Bombay).
London, April 12.
It appears that certain "institutional
democrats" have an immense majority
in the Lower House of the Duma, and
are already drafting Bills of a pro-
nounced liberal type.
The Upper House, however, is over-
whelmingly conservative.

[REUTERS'S SERVICE.]

THE ERUPTION OF VESUVIUS.

Terrible Desolation.

Villages Barred.
London, April 11.
The country for miles around Vesuvius
presents pictures of a horrible desola-
tion. No vestige of green remains, and all
the towns and villages more or less are
buried some six feet under the ashes,
recalling the disaster at Pompeii.

Heavy Death Roll.

The estimates of the total death toll vary
between 500 and 800; the last accounts
are not reassuring, and the whole region is
under a dense pall.

Hurricanes of Rain.

Vesuvius is invisible and frequent hurri-
cane winds, mixed with stones and ash
occur.

A Village Smothered.

London, April 11.
Ottajano is smothered in ashes and the
population of 200 has perished.

Sulphur and Sand Showers.

The volcano resumed activity last night
and is now showering sulphur and sand.

Towns Isolated.

Torre del Greco and Torre Annunziata
are cut off from Naples; several cor-
respondents who were there, were unable to
leave.

THE HAGUE CONFERENCE.

Postponement Urged.

London, April 11.
The United States supported by France
has asked Russia to postpone the Hague
conference, to prevent it clashing with the
Pan-American congress at Rio de Janeiro.

GERMAN DIPLOMATIC APPOINTMENT.

Change of Ministers.

London, April 11.
Baron von Goltz, now at the Peking
Legation, has been appointed minister to
Columbia.

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berlain's Cough Remedy. It is plea-
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FATE OF THE "M. STRUVE."

Becomes a Total Wreck.

The latest information to hand from Ocken Island, where the German steamer "M. Struve" stranded early this week confirms the worst fears entertained regarding the steamer's fate.

The German man of war "Tiger" has visited the Island and reports by telegram that the "M. Struve" is a total wreck and that there is no hope of salvage.

After going ashore the steamer's position became rapidly worse, it being first reported that her decks were awash and then that she was totally wrecked.

Notwithstanding the efforts made by the crew it is now certain that she will be a total loss.

The Chinese pirates who infest the waters in the vicinity of the island commenced to loot the vessel very soon after she went ashore and had obtained a good deal of plunder from her when the "Tiger" visited the spot, and although they were then frightened off they soon returned to the work of plundering the doomed vessel.

The first and second officers of the vessel and the first and second engineers together with the Chinese crew have already arrived in Hongkong and the captain is expected to arrive tomorrow morning.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA.

Annual Meeting.

The fifteenth ordinary annual meeting of shareholders in the National Bank of China, Limited, was held at the Bank's premises at noon. Mr. J. Scott Watson presided and there were also present Messrs G. C. Moore (Manager), J. R. Michael, R. Harding, J. E. Joseph, Chai Shui Kuei, Chun Pak Chun, E. D. Haskell, Ellis Kadourie, E. H. Howard, E. S. Kadourie, J. Wright and P. Loureiro.

The notice convening the meeting having been read the Chairman said: Gentlemen, I have to submit the report and accounts for last year, which, with your permission, I will take as read. The net profits of the Bank for the period under review amount to \$188,919.84, and in pursuance of the policy set forth in the Chairman's speech at the general meeting held on 18th March last year, your Directors recommend that no dividend be paid, but that our reserves be strengthened until they have reached what may be considered a safe figure. With this object in view, it is proposed to place to capital reserve fund the sum of \$12,731.29, which at 1st Jan. to the dollar brings our capital and capital reserve together to the convenient figure of \$216,000, and to reserve fund \$80,088.84, bringing that fund up to \$100,000. The board consider it advisable to carry forward a substantial sum in view of the fact that certain securities held by the Bank have not yet been realised. Owing to the expressed wish of a large majority of shareholders a call of £1 per share has been made, such call to be payable on 2nd July next, in order to provide us with additional paid up capital. I do not think there is anything I can usefully add, but before proposing the adoption of the report and accounts, I will be glad to answer any questions in my power.

There were no questions and the adoption of the report and accounts was carried on the motion of the Chairman seconded by Mr. Wright.

Mr. Haskell proposed the re-election of Messrs Lowe and Bingham as auditors.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Joseph and carried.

On the motion of Mr. Harding seconded by Mr. Haskell the Rt. Hon. C. B. Stuart Wortley, K.C.M.G., was re-elected to the London Committee.

Mr. E. Evans was re-elected to the Hongkong board, on the motion of Mr. Kadourie seconded by Mr. Wright.

That concluded the business of the meeting.

WEATHER REPORT.

The following notice is issued by Mr. Figg of the Hongkong Observatory:—

On the 14th at 11.55a. The barometer has fallen over China, except on the S. coast.

Pressure has also given way over SW. Japan and the Loochoos.

Pressure is highest over W. Japan. It remains low to the NE of Japan, and also over S. China.

Light to moderate variable winds are indicated in the Formosa Channel and light SE winds over the N. part of the China Sea, accompanied by fog along the coast.

Forecast:—SE or variable winds, light to moderate; misty, showery.

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A REMARKABLE OCCURRENCE.

Danger in a Hongkong "Shandy."

An extraordinary fate overtook an ordinary drinking glass this morning: and there are several puzzled heads in Hongkong to-day in consequence. The glass had contained what is known as a "shandy" made of Watson's lemonade and Younger's draught stout, and when about three parts of the mixture had been consumed the glass was stood upon a table in one of the Government canteens.

Nobody approached the glass to the knowledge of five persons who were in the room, but about eight minutes after it had been put on the table by the person who had been drinking from it it exploded with a sharp detonation and pieces of the bottom of the glass were scattered several feet away.

To the surprise of those present the glass was soon to be standing up on the table, though the major part of the bottom, which measured from three-quarters to half an inch in thickness was shattered and broken as if by some explosive. The body of the glass was cracked, and a ring about one-quarter of an inch in width was cut clean off the top as if with a glazier's diamond.

The occurrence is inexplicable to those who witnessed it, and so amazed were they that the fragments of the glass were brought to this office for inspection. Whether it was meant as a warning to abstain from spirituous liquors or not we cannot say, but the gentleman who brought the glass assures us that his faith in stout is not yet shaken. He is not quite sure whether there is not some supernatural agency at work, and hopes that some reader will be able to offer a solution of the mystery.

When questioned as to the condition of the gentleman who had consumed portion of the liquor our visitor stated that so far he had not "gone off." It is to be hoped that he does not.

THE EASTER HOLIDAYS.

Damp Days.

Good Friday was so wet as to spoil all out-door pleasure, and the promise for Easter Monday does not look much brighter. Yesterday numbers of sportsmen went out in the morning to various places but were in most cases driven from pastimes by the unrelenting rain that commenced to fall before noon. Little rain fell this morning but clouds of a threatening kind hung about and made it dangerous to proceed any distance without waterproofs and umbrellas. It is to be hoped that Monday brings.

Wanchi Wesleyan Church.

Last evening a very large congregation gathered in the above Church to enjoy a sacred concert which had been arranged, it being Good Friday evening. Previous to the concert a tea had been provided, at which quite two hundred sat down. Indeed the numbers who availed themselves of the opportunity were so large that all could not be accommodated even at two sittings. The concert commenced at 7 o'clock. Most of those who took an active part in the evening's programme were connected with the Church. Mr. Makeham presided. Mr. Davey sang "Cast thy burden upon the Lord," the chorus of which was rendered by the Church choir, who also sang "Rejoice ye with Jerusalem." The B.K.T.U. choir, led by Mrs. Brown, sang two pieces. Messrs Thomas and Bateman sang "Be thou faithful unto death," and "When our heads are bowed with woe," respectively. Mr. White, the very efficient organist, presided at the instrument except when the B.K.T.U. Choir sang. Two short and appropriate addresses were given by Mr. Watson and Sgt. Major Stephenson, R.E. The Chaplain modestly contented himself with a minor part, or was relegated to the simple duty of closing the evening's programme by expressing the appreciation of all present to the many helpers who had so generously assisted to make a pleasant and helpful evening for those who came together, especially for the men of H. M. Services.

Sailors' and Soldiers' Home.

The various Branches of the I. O. G. T. in Hongkong gathered in the largest room of the Home on Thursday evening to enjoy a concert which had been arranged. The gathering thoroughly appreciated the entertainment, and such reactions are helpful as well as enjoyable. When the several sections, each of which at times seems to be less powerful than its most ardent members could wish, meet together in this way, it becomes evident that in the army at least, the number of total abstemious men is not an insignificant one. The concert on Thursday evening was presided over by Mr. Swaffield, whose enthusiasm in the cause counted not a little towards the general success which followed. The programme contained a judicious blending of the serious and the comic, for it was the aim of the promoters of the reunion not only to secure a pleasant evening, but also to induce others to join their ranks and keep their pledge. A short address was given with a view to assist this result. The evening's efforts induced several to join the I. O. G. T. ranks. Between the first and second part of the programme refreshments were served and enjoyed. The reunion closed about half past ten by the singing of the National Anthem.

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IMPROVEMENT OF CHINESE AGRICULTURE.

[FOR THE CHINA MAIL.]

It is sometimes affirmed that, because the Chinese are good market gardeners, and that because her farmers can raise two crops of rice per annum in the rich plains which skirt her splendid rivers, they, as a race, are past masters of the art of agriculture. Some who have travelled inland and seen the large tracts of waste land, and observed the rule of thumb methods with which their fields and gardens are cultivated, have entertained serious doubts as to the justice of their claim to be model agriculturists.

I myself have seen a small plot of land cleared amidst wide tracks of uncultivated land, and into the rough ground—for the farmers have no implements equal to the task of adequately conquering rough hard soil—a few seeds have been thrown, and then, at the end of each year, a handful of incense sticks has been inserted to propitiate the gods of the wild waste. If one goes into Chinese cultivated fields, one will discover that, in many places, the She Tsai, or gods of the grain and land, are assumed to be a very important factor in the success of the coming crop, and therefore, at stated times, before a granite shrine erected in the midst of the crops, offerings will be repeatedly made with a view to securing a successful harvest. Whilst the mind of a farmer is shackled in this way, and whilst he is handicapped by having only the crudest and most primitive of agricultural implements, it is obvious that only imperfect results can be realized.

It is true that Chinese poets, and historians have extolled the profession of agriculture. In the famous list of the four occupations, Scholars, Farmers, Artisans, and Merchants, the Agriculturalist is placed second, and this indicates the high esteem in which the profession is held. Chinese historians would endorse the statement of Bancroft who wrote of the agriculturists of the French, "the great employment of France was the tillage of the land, than which no method of gain is more grateful in itself, or more worthy of freedom, or more happy in rendering service to the whole human race. No occupation is nearer heaven."

And Chinese writers have not written of agriculture only from the point of view of the poet, namely to extol the pleasantness of the occupation, as perhaps Virgil and others have done. They have known that it lies at the base of national prosperity; the one industry of fishing excepted, it has been the only source from which the people have got their food. For China no fleet of "rolling steamers" borne from some more productive olive fringes of corn to support puny street-bred people. Therefore the importance with which it has ever been regarded and the honour in which farmers have ever been held.

But all this notwithstanding, it is true that there has been little development in the methods employed, during the many centuries, and generations of farmers have contented themselves, because they knew no better, with following each other's footsteps, and imitating each other's methods. They have done this because they have known no more excellent way.

Yet during the last quarter of a century enormous efforts have been made to improve the system of agriculture throughout the South of China. Some fifteen years ago Chang Chih-ting wrote a famous book in which he pointed out some of the limitations of the Chinese people, and urged upon them the necessity of awakening out of their sleep. One of the chapters was devoted to the subject of agriculture, and he therein made some caustic remarks on the crude and antiquated methods which were followed by his countrymen. I remember that there were some paragraphs devoted to the culture of cotton, and it was pointed out that in the West various species of cotton were grown, and sundry kinds flourished best in certain kinds of soil. Why could not the Chinese read this lesson and profit by it?

Cruel attempts at forming local boards of agriculture have also been made in the Canton Province, but hitherto little that is practical and permanent has resulted therefrom. Rice, taro, leeks and garlic are grown where the soil is rich and productive; where labour and capital are needed, to bring the soil under cultivation little or nothing is attempted, and so the people crowd together and trample upon one another in the richer portions of the province, whilst there are wide reaches of land that await the hand of the husbandman, and the share of the plough.

The Viceroy of Canton has now taken this matter in hand; he has presence enough to see that a country in order to be successful and prosperous, must not only have an army, banks, loans and railways, but must be able to extract from the land returns which it will generally make if treated with a liberal attention. He has selected some young men of the provinces and sent them on to Japan at his own expense, to study the agricultural methods of the Island Kingdom, and to seek instructions from those who are at present assumed to possess the key to all knowledge because they thrashed the Russians. It is assumed, in the proclamation, that the Japanese first learned from the West, and then have adapted their newly acquired knowledge to the peculiar conditions of the East, and are therefore better fitted to instruct the Chinese than the West itself can be. There may be something in the argument. At any rate it will appeal to the Chinese, because it will gratify their innate love of the East, as opposed to the West, and at the same time, will make it possible for them to go to Japan, whereas they would be unable to do so either to France or Germany.

The agricultural colleges of Japan, with annexes of gardens and fields, for practical instruction, are especially blessed.

ed by His Excellency, and it is pointed out that in them all the apparatus is arranged for competent tuition: Indeed the appeal is full of enthusiasm, and the importance of a clearer insight into the methods and scope of modern agriculture, with the advantages that must accrue therefrom, are outlined in a way that shows that the Viceroy is not ignorant of the importance of the task to which he has set some of the youthful minds under his control.

Whilst it is natural and inevitable that the Viceroy should think of the prosperity of his own people, and so makes this attempt to bring this prosperity within their grasp, it is certain that, indirectly, Europeans will be the gainers if success follows. There is much room for improvement in some of the fruit grown in this province. We need only refer to pomelos, mangoes, apricots and plums. These fruits are only crudely developed, and are far inferior to those grown a little farther south. But we think the latitude will not explain all this difference. Also it is certain that if the Chinese understood the art of cattle-rearing and would go in for it and were taught to avail themselves of the large acreage of grazing ground, rough though much of it is at present, which is available on the slopes of their many hills and mountains, a fine supply of beef and even mutton would be forthcoming, which could be placed in the market at reasonable prices. These are only some of the ways in which improved methods of farming will if understood and adopted, advance not only the Chinese but also the Europeans who reside in Hongkong and the Treaty Ports of South China; and therefore we cannot but be interested in the attempts of the Viceroy to bring about a better state of things in this regard than obtains at present.

THE HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

A Successful Year.

The first yearly meeting of the recently formed Horticultural Society was held on Thursday afternoon in the City Hall. The President of the Society, Sir Francis Pigott, presided, and those also present were the Hon. Mr. E. Osborne, Messrs L. Gibbs (Hon. Secretary), S. T. Dunn, J. Barton, F. Howell, A. Carter, and Chao Lap Chee.

The Chairman, in his opening remarks, said that he regretted that there was such a small attendance at their first annual meeting. The Society could be congratulated on the flourishing condition it had attained, owing largely to the very generous support received from Sir Paul Chater and a small committee of his friends, who had contributed to the guarantee fund. Their Flower Show had been a great success, but there still remained much to be done. The exchange of seeds would be a very important part of the Society's work which would be attended with very beneficial results. This should encourage the growing of vegetables under sanitary conditions by Chinese gardeners and he hoped that wide publicity would be given to the paragraph on that subject published in the report. In conclusion their thanks were due to the Government of Mauritius for their exhibit at the Flower Show and also to all who had contributed to making the Show a success. His Honour moved the adoption of the report and accounts, which was seconded by Mr. Barton, and carried.

On the motion of Mr. Gibbs, seconded by Mr. Dunn, the names of Mrs. Jordan, Mrs. Turner and Mr. Griffin were added to the old committee. Next year's programme was then discussed and it was announced that Mr. Gibbs was compelled to give up the position of hon. secretary. Mr. F. Howell volunteered his services and was elected for the ensuing year. A vote of thanks to the Chairman concluded proceedings.

The report stated *inter alia* that the Society owed its origin to a proposal of His Excellency Sir Matthew Nathan that the old institution of an annual Flower Show should be revived. The account showed a balance of \$1,023 to the credit for the Society and that 876 persons paid for admission to the show. It was estimated that over a thousand came to the Show during free time which was considered to be most satisfactory. The Show had demonstrated that the culture of flowers, even on the Peak, was more possible than had hitherto been imagined. In order to aid in the development of the gardens of the Colony it was hoped it would be considered part of the business of the Society to promote the exchange of seeds and cuttings, and also the dissemination of useful suggestions for growing plants by those who have been successful with any particular flower.

The vegetables exhibited at the show were in many cases of quite excellent quality, and showed unmistakable signs of careful gardening. But there were few exhibitions. The clause disqualifying vegetables grown in unsanitary conditions undoubtedly precluded many Chinese gardeners from exhibiting their produce. It was to be hoped however that many of them, who had now seen the size and quality of the vegetables raised in sanitary conditions, would come to realise that their own methods could be abandoned, and that without loss of profit, but rather with the result of increased sales. The task of inducing them to take this view was not an impossible one, but was one which the Society collectively and individually must not lose sight of, not merely at Show time, but throughout the year.

The Committee was endeavouring to arrange for the publication of weekly or monthly notes on gardening. It was proposed to hold the next Show in the early Spring of 1907. A provisional Schedule had been prepared and was now in the hands of members. Arrangements were also being made for obtaining such seeds from Home as are required by members.

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LITERARY NOTES.

(LONDON STANDARD).

Mr. Frank Podmore, who is, perhaps, best known as one of the founders of the Fabian Society, has finished his biography of Robert Owen, Socialist and Philanthropist. Curiously little is known, in the personal sense, at least, by most people about this extraordinary man, and it is customary to dismiss his claims as those of an abeyant but quite impracticable dreamer. Southey and Macaulay, when Robert Owen was at the height of his renown as a Socialist Reformer, were at daggers drawn over his claims—largely because their own philosophy of life was different. Owen was no more amiable enthusiast, but a consummate man of business, never astray in practical matters, however much mistaken in abstract opinions. A man who could make Prince Metternich think of adopting his "new system of society" in Austria must have had an extraordinary power of appeal, and this is only one incident out of many. Mr. Podmore has had access to a great mass of letters, which have hitherto remained unknown, and his book which Messrs. Hutchinson promise immediately, ought to prove of exceptional interest.

"The Child of Nazareth" is the title of a book which the Rev. Benjamin Waugh, the well-known founder of the Society of the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, has in preparation. It is, we understand, a new interpretation of the early life and lowly surroundings of Christ, and is based on a study made in the Holy Land of the scenes and customs of the East. The book is to be illustrated, and Messrs. Pitman are to publish it shortly.

Mr. Fisher Unwin hopes to publish shortly Mr. Percy Fitzgerald's appreciation of the late Sir Henry Irving. Mr. Bram Stoker, whose relations with the great actor during the whole term of his management of the Lyceum Theatre were singularly intimate, both in the personal and business sense, has also an important book on his old chief in preparation, which Mr. Heinemann is to publish in due course.

We learn that an important contribution to the history of India is in preparation. The book is entitled "Gujarat," or, in other words, the maritime province of Bombay, in which the territories of the Gaekwar of Baroda are situated. The author is Mr. Alexander Rogers, late of the Bombay Civil Service, and the interest of the book consists in the manner in which the writings of native authorities have been placed under contribution. Mr. Rogers proposes to bring down the history of the province from 1553 to comparatively modern times. Long residence in that part of India has made Mr. Rogers peculiarly well qualified to deal with the subject. The book is to be published by Messrs. Barnicot and Pearce, of Taunton.

There is an old saying, and a wise one, to the effect that all good men are of the same religion. Evidently that is the view of Mr. H. W. Garrod, Fellow of Merton, Oxford, who has a book in the press which Messrs Constable are publishing, entitled "The Religion of All Good Men." It consists of studies in Christian ethics written from a bold but optimistic standpoint. Mr. Garrod contends that the hold of religion upon the minds of the youth of the nation has never been stronger than at the present time—even though organised Christianity seems to a large extent to have lost touch with them. The book is a veritable invitation to think—on the highest of all themes.

Messrs. Constable have also just ready a book, written in collaboration by the late Dr. Dexter, and his son, Mr. Marton Dexter, on "The England and Holland of the Pilgrims." It is, of course, a study of the Puritan movement of the seventeenth century, and of the manner in which that upheaval profoundly modified the religious outlook of two nations, prior to its ultimate ascendancy in New England. Dr. Dexter, whose unique collection of historical books and pamphlets, now forms part of the treasures of Yale University, was undoubtedly one of the greatest authorities on all that concerns the Puritan Revolution on both sides of the Atlantic.

Mr. Murray hopes to publish in the autumn, "The Letters of Queen Victoria," up to the year 1861. This important work, which has been edited by Lord Esher and Mr. Arthur Benson, will be in three volumes. The political significance of these letters is altogether memorable.

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Outlook," studies, we are assured, of clerical life and character.

Anything about the "Wizard of Abbotsford" is sure of a welcome, at least amongst lovers of historical romance. At first sight it might almost appear that in the interval which divides Lockhart's classic biography of Sir Walter Scott from the monographs by the late Richard Holt Hutton and Professor Saintsbury, the last word had almost been spoken on the personal story, heroic, and, in a sense, pitiful as it is, of the incomparable master who has made us all his debtors. That, however, is apparently not the opinion either of Mr. Norgate or of Mr. Methuen, for between them they promise us a new biography, which they claim, is different in many respects from all others, of the man who wrote the Waverley Novels with magic ink. Lockhart is, of course, the chief authority, but much has come to light, notably "The Letters" and "The Journal," in recent years, and these have been freely placed under requisition by Mr. Norgate, as well as many reminiscences which have leaped to light in recent years. He has also made the sentimental pilgrimage to Abbotsford, and has explored the Scott country, and the outcome of it all is—no we are assured—definite, and finely illustrated book. We shall see.

People who are not conversant with French ought to be grateful to Messrs Dent, who are about to bring out the works of Alexandre Dumas in an unabridged edition, in forty-eight volumes, which they propose to publish, with brisk alacrity, at the rate of two volumes a month. Such enterprise deserves to be rewarded.

Mr. Quiller Couch is bringing out another book this spring, in addition to "The Mayor of Troy." It is a critical monograph on George Eliot, in the Modern English Writers series. Messrs. Blackwood are to publish it.

Sir Harry Johnston's book on "Liberia," which is similar in plan to his "Uganda Protectorate," may be looked for almost immediately. It deals exhaustively with the commercial outlook in that part of Africa, and is the outcome of wide and, indeed, exceptional knowledge of actual conditions. It is to be fully illustrated from drawings by the author, and Messrs. Hutchinson are to publish it.

FOG.

Interesting to Mariners.

"Fogs on the China Coast," is the title of an instructive article in the *Government Gazette*, by Mr. F. G. Figg. The writer says that April proves to be the foggiest month, 25 per cent. of the days being foggy, and September has the least fog, viz. 1 per cent.

He shows that fog is liable to occur whenever a warm humid air current from sea areas impinges on the much colder air lying over the coast, and that the occurrence of fog will practically cease as soon as the temperature of the air over the coast area has attained a temperature more in accord with the air currents coming from equatorial regions.

With the complete establishment of the hot weather condition over the Continent fog practically ceases to occur, except the purely local fogs, which occasionally

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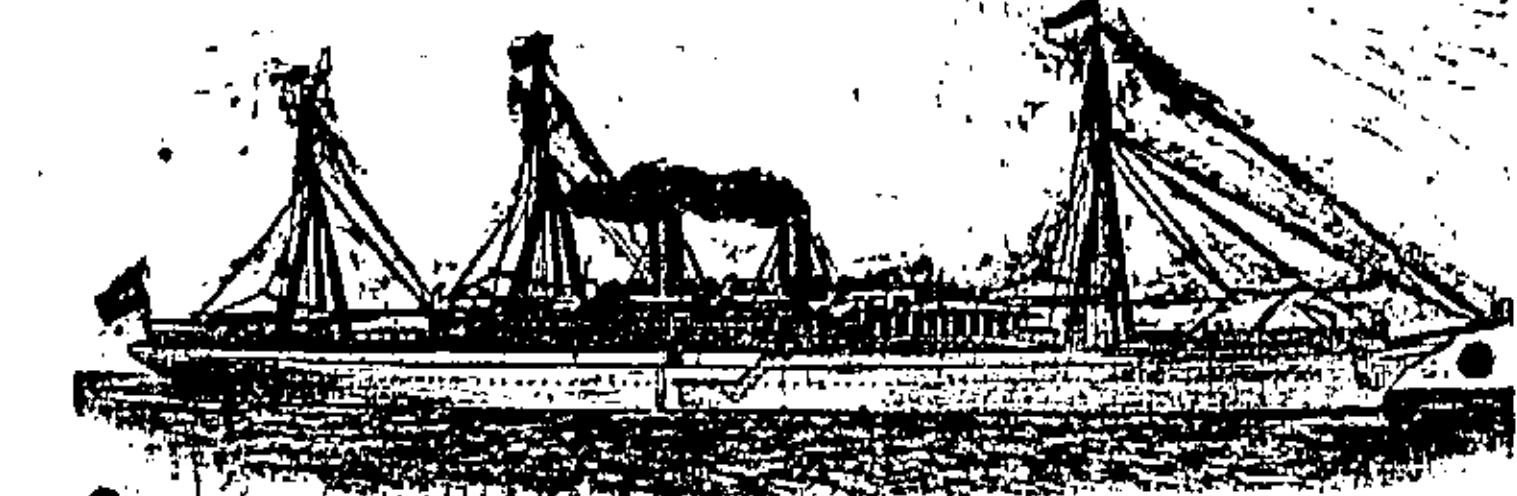
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WILL despatch VESSELS to the Undermentioned PORTS on the DATE named—

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL ON	REMARKS
YOKOHAMA, via SHANGHAI, PALERMO, etc.	E. G. ANDREWS	About 19th April	Freight only.
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SHANGHAI	DELHI, 5000 tons	About 19th April	Passage.
LONDON, &c.	ARCADIA, 7000 tons	Noon, 21st April	See Special Advertisement
LONDON & ANTWERP, via Suez, Pango, Colono, Port Said and Marseilles	SOCOTRA, W. R. HICKET	About 25th April	Freight only.

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R.M.S.	TONS	WEDNESDAY, April 18	May 9
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EMPIRE OF JAPAN	6000	WEDNESDAY, May 2	May 26
EMPIRE OF CHINA	6000	WEDNESDAY, May 9	May 30
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EMPIRE OF INDIA	6000	WEDNESDAY, June 6	June 29

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FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SINGAPORE, PENANG, AND CALCUTTA	ONSANG	WEDNESDAY, April 18, at Noon.
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FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
DAIJI MARU, Capt. G. TAGAMI	TAMUJI, via SWATOW	SUNDAY, April 15, 10 a.m.
MAIDJURU MARU, Capt. MENJIN	ANPING, via SWATOW	WEDNESDAY, April 18, 4 a.m.
DAIJI MARU, Capt. SHIBATA	SHANGHAI, via SWATOW	THURSDAY, April 19, a.m.
DAIJI MARU, Capt. H. OTSU	TAMUJI, via SWATOW	SUNDAY, April 22, 10 a.m.
SHOSHU MARU, Capt. T. NEMOTO	SHANGHAI, via SWATOW	AND AMOY, AND FOCHOW.

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FROM	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	DAUNAN	16th April
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	DAUNAN	21st "
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	JASON	28th "
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	DAUNAN	5th May
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	TYDUS	12th "
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	GLAUCUS	19th "
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	GLAUCUS	26th "
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	GLAUCUS	2nd June
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	GLAUCUS	9th "
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	GLAUCUS	16th "

HOMEWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
GENOA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL, MACHON	20th April	
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP, HECTOR	24th "	
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP, HECTOR	8th May	
GENOA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL, CAICHAS	20th "	
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP, HECTOR	22nd "	
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP, JASON	5th June	
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP, DEUGALION	19th "	
GENOA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL, HYSON	20th "	

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EASTWARD.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and all PACIFIC COAST PORTS, YAGI	18th April	
SAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	16th May	

WESTWARD.

FROM	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
TACOMA, SEATTLE, VICTORIA AND PACIFIC COAST	25th April	
YAGI	25th May	

For Freight, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LD.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI	KUANG	17th April
MANILA	HICHOV	17th April
TIENSIN & WELHAI WEL	HICHOV	17th April
CHEFOO	KUANG	18th April
CHINKANG	SHANG	20th April
SHANGHAI	SHANG	20th April
MANILA, ZAMBOANGA, PT. DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKWORTH, OAKS, TOWNVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE	CHINGO	20th April

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For Freight, apply to SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, March 15, 1906. 500

SHIRE LINE.

FOR LONDON AND ANTWERP.

THE Steamship FLINTSHIRE, will be despatched for the above ports on or about TUESDAY, the 16th May, 1906.

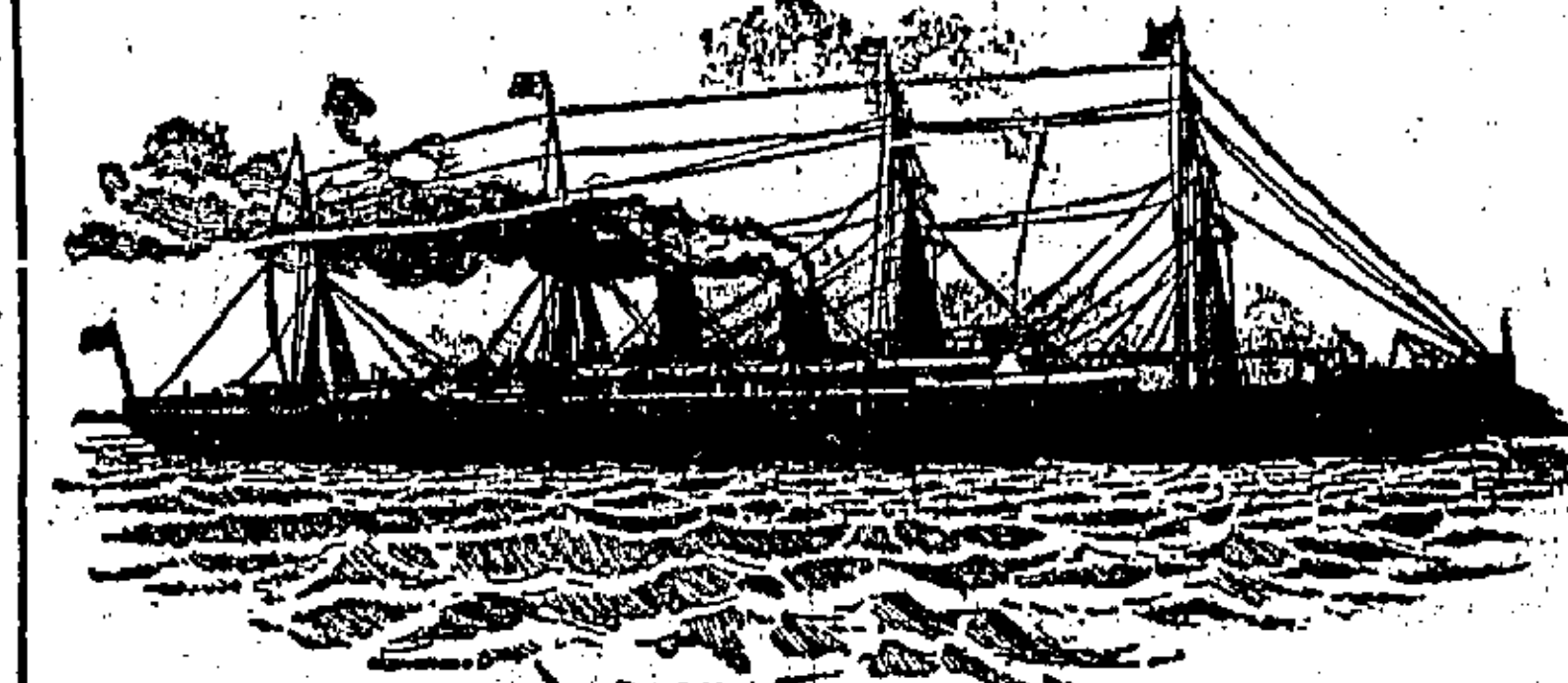
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* MANCHURIA, 27,000 Gross Tons	TUESDAY, 17th April, at Noon.	
* HONGKONG MARU, 11,000	FRIDAY, 27th April, at Noon.	
* KOREA, 18,000	TUESDAY, 1st May, at Noon.	
* COPTIC, 8,000	FRIDAY, 11th May, at Noon.	
* SIBERIA, 18,000	FRIDAY, 18th May, at Noon.	
* AMERICA MARU, 11,000	FRIDAY, 25th May, at Noon.	
* MONOLIA, 27,000	TUESDAY, 5th June, at Noon.	
* CHINA, 10,200	TUESDAY, 12th June, at Noon.	
* NIPPON MARU, 11,000	TUESDAY, 19th June, at Noon.	
* DORIC, 9,900	TUESDAY, 26th June, at Noon.	

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Yokohama to San Francisco, s.s. SIBERIA, 18,000 tons, Oct. 13th to 23rd, 1905, 10 days, 10 hours and 25 minutes.

THE P. M. Steamship MANCHURIA, will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, (INLAND SEA), KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on TUESDAY, the 17th April, 1906, at Noon, taking cargo for Japan and the United States.

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STEAMSHIP	TONS	CAPTAIN	TO SAIL ON
NUMANTIA	4370	FLOTHMAN	April 16, at Daylight
ARABIA	4448	MEYERHIN	May 22, at Daylight
ARAGONIA	5198	ERNEST	June 11, at Daylight
NICOMEDIA	4370	WAGEMANN	June 21, at Daylight

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PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

DESTINATIONS	STEAMERS	SAILING DATES
MARSEILLES, LONDON AND ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO AND PORT SAID.	BINGO MARU, Tons 6,247, Capt. F. L. Sommer	WEDNESDAY, 18th April, at Daylight
	KAWACHI MARU, Tons 6,101	WEDNESDAY, 2nd May, at Daylight
	AWA MARU, Tons 6,509	WEDNESDAY, 16th May, at Daylight

VICTORIA, B.C. AND SEATTLE, via SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.	*KANAGAWA MARU, Tons 6,168	TUESDAY, 1st May, at 4 p.m.
	*KAGA MARU, Tons 6,301	TUESDAY, 28th May, at 4 p.m.

SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE, via MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE AND BRISBANE.	*ROMANO MARU, Tons 5,076, Capt. H. Fraser	FRIDAY, April 20, at 4 p.m.
BOMBAY, via SINGAPORE AND COLOMBO.	*TOSA MARU, Tons 5,833	FRIDAY, April 20, at Noon
	*BOMBAY MARU, Tons 4,925	THURSDAY, April 28, at Noon

NAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.	*YAWATA MARU, Tons 8,317, Capt. Mathieson	WEDNESDAY, 18th April, at Noon
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* Through Passenger Tickets issued to the Principal Cities in the United States, Canada and Europe, in connection with the GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY and Atlantic Steamers. Round the World Tickets also issued. Between Nagasaki and Yokohama, 1st and 2nd Class through Passengers have the option of travelling by Rail.

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THE Company's Steamship POLYNESIEN, Captain BUC, will be despatched for the above ports on or about MONDAY, the 16th April.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.
Hongkong, April 9, 1906. 764

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NOTICE.

STEAM FOR

KUDAT AND SANDAKAN,

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JOLO, ZAMBOANGA & MENADO.

THE Company's Steamship BORNEO,

Captain F. BEHNKE, (ready to load on

THURSDAY, the 12th inst.), will leave on

TUESDAY, the 17th inst., at 9 a.m.

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Hongkong, April 12, 1906. 718

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THE Steamship ARMAND BEHNKE,

Captain GUINOT, will be despatched for

MARSEILLES on TUESDAY, the 17th

April, 1906, at 1 p.m.

Passage Tickets and through Bills of

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Europe.

Next Sailings will be as follows:—

S.S. ENNEST SMITH, May 1, 1906.

S.S. POLYNESIEN, May 15, 1906.

S.S. CALOCHON, May 19, 190

SUNDAY, APRIL 15TH, 1906.

CHURCH SERVICES.

St. John's Cathedral.

EASTER SUNDAY.

Holy Communion (7.30 a.m.)
 Matins (11 a.m.)
 Responses, Festival: Psalm, Special; To
 Doan, Gadsby in E flat; Benedictus,
 Garrett in G; Anthem, "O Praise
 God," Blair; Hymns, 134 and 125.
 Holy Communion (12 noon)
 Kyrie, Gadsby in G; Hymn, 197.
 Evening (6.45 p.m.)
 Responses, Festival: Psalm, Special;
 Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis, Maun-
 der in D; Anthem, "God Who Madest
 Earth and Heaven," Lohr; Hymns,
 134, 138 and 197; Evensong.
 N. 11.—Hymn 134 will not be played over
 the Chancel to Psalm 2 and 113 only
 will be played over. Verses 1 and 2
 and the Gloria of Psalm 114 in Union,
 Gloria to the Anathema Creed, Garrett
 in G. The General Confession to be
 sung at Matins and at Evensong.
 Voluntary, Grand Chorale, Guilman.

Union Church, Kennedy Road.

Minister: Rev. H. H. Hickling.

11 a.m.—Worship: Hymns, 77, 78, Chant,
 116, Anthem, 175, "Lift up your
 heads, O ye Gates," Hymns, 84, 76.
 4 p.m.—Sunday School at Union Church,
 and in British School, Kowloon.
 6 p.m.—Worship: Hymns, 87, 76, 81, 82,
 7 p.m.—After meeting for Praise and
 Prayer.Monday 2 p.m.—C. K. F. Picnic to Stanley
 Tickets all sold.Thursday 8.30 p.m.—Reading Circle at
 the Manse.Friday 7.30 p.m.—Christian Endeavour
 Society. Subject: "What our Mis-
 sionaries are doing."St. Peter's Church, Queen's Road
 West.

EASTER SUNDAY.

Holy Communion (7.30 a.m.)

Morning Prayer (11 a.m.)

Evening Prayer (6.45 p.m.)

Hymns, 123, 135, 223; Kyrie Eleison
 Hymn, 123 (12.15)

Evening Prayer (6.45 p.m.)

Magnificat, Crotch; Nunc Dimittis, Lohr;
 Hymns, 123, 137, 138, 141.

Holy Communion (7.45 p.m.)

The Church bazaar "Paying" will
 call on ships carrying white crews
 to bring friends ashore to the services
 between 9.15 and 10.15 a.m. and between
 5.15 and 6 p.m. (Kowloon Police Pier
 10.30 and 11 p.m. returning afterwards.)
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 All the offerings free and unappropriated.
 Visitors welcome. Books & provided
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Morning: 10.15 a.m.

Evening: 6 p.m.

Soldiers' and Sailors' Home,
 Arsenal Street.

Sunday evening 8 p.m.

Books provided gratis from a hearty
 welcome.

Sundays, Naval Depot, Kowloon.

Evening: 8 p.m.

Holy Communion: 3rd Sunday: 7 p.m.

Peak Church.

Holy Communion: 8 a.m.

Deutsche Kirche.

Gottendienst: 10.15 Uhr. in Bethel
 Kapelle, Canton Road.

EXCHANGE.

HONGKONG, April 14, 1906.

On London: Bank, Wire, — 2.04

" On demand, — 2.04

" 80 days sight, — 2.04

" 4 months sight, — 2.04

Credits, 4 months sight, — 2.15

On Paris: On demand, — 257

On demand, 4 months sight, — 257

On New York: On demand, — 404

Credits, 60 days sight, — 404

On Bombay: On demand, — 1583

On demand, 4 months sight, — 1583

On Calcutta: On demand, — 1583

On demand, 4 months sight, — 1583

On Shanghai: On demand, — 901

On demand, 4 months sight, — 901

On Yokohama: On demand, — 100

On demand, 4 months sight, — 100

Gold Loan, 100 lbs. (per ton), — 151.19

Silver Loan, 100 lbs. (per ton), — 8.76

Silver (per oz.), — 29

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

Mails will close:—

For MOH, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, &
 PORTLAND.Per Nippon Maru, at 9 a.m., on Monday,
 the 16th April.

For MACAO.

Per Hengshing, at 9 a.m., on Monday,
 the 16th April.

For KUDAT & SANDAKAN.

Per Borneo at 8 a.m., on Tuesday, the
 17th April.

For BANGKOK.

Per Rajah, at 9 a.m., on Tuesday, the
 17th April.

For BANGKOK.

Per Singora, at 10 a.m., on Tuesday, the
 17th April.

For MANILA.

Per Tawing, at 3 p.m., on Tuesday, the
 17th April.For SINGAPORE, PENANG & CO-
 LONDO.Per Singsu Maru, at 5 p.m., on Tuesday,
 the 17th April.

MAILS BY THE FRANCH PACKET.

The French Contract Packet Armand Behio
 will be despatched on TUESDAY, the
 17th April, with Mails for the United
 Kingdom, the Continent of Europe,
 and places beyond, via Marseilles, to
 Saigon, Straits Settlements, Batavia,
 Burmah, Ceylon, Madras, the Aus-
 tralian Colonies, Aden, Natal and the
 Cape, Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar.
 Printed Matter and Samples at 10 a.m.
 Registration, with late fee of 10 cents,
 up to 10.45 a.m.
 Late Letters 11 to 11.30 a.m. Extra
 Postage 10 cents.
 Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes
 in time for the first clearance will be
 included in this contract mail.

To-day's Advertisements

GOVERNMENT BILLS.

TENDERS FOR SPOILS, BRITISH
 AND MEXICAN DOLLARS, current
 in this Colony, in Exchange for Sterling
 Bills drawn at 10 days' sight on the
 Treasury, London, will be received by the
 Chief Paymaster, Army Pay Department,
 until 11 a.m. on the 19th April, 1906.
 The Tenders to state the total amount
 (in Pounds Sterling) and the amount for
 which each Bill should be drawn, but no
 Bill will be issued for less than £100.
 The Tenders to be in Duplicate, and in
 Sealed Covers, addressed to the Chief Pay-
 master, Army Pay Department, and en-
 dorsed "TENDERS FOR GOVERNMENT BILLS."
 The right to accept or reject any or all of
 the tenders is reserved.
 Copies of Forms of tender can be had on
 application.
 J. R. GALE, Captain, A.P.D.,
 H.M. Treasury Chest Officer.
 Hongkong, April 14, 1906.

PHILIPPINE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE OF MEETING.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT AN
 EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL
 MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS OF THE
 PHILIPPINE COMPANY, LTD., will be held at
 the Office of the NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA,
 Queen's Road, Hongkong, on WEDNES-
 DAY, the 25th day of April, 1906, at
 3.15 p.m., when the subject of the Resolu-
 tion, which was passed at an Extraordinary
 General Meeting held on the 11th day of
 April, 1906, will be submitted for confirma-
 tion as a Special Resolution.That the Firm of Messrs E. S.
 KADOGRIE & CO. be appointed GEN-
 ERAL MANAGERS of the Company in the
 place of Messrs BENJAMIN KELLY &
 POTTS, and that Article 56 of the Com-
 pany's Articles of Association be altered by
 substituting the words "E. S. KADOGRIE &
 CO., for the words "BENJAMIN KELLY &
 POTTS."

J. V. WRIGHT, Secretary.

Hongkong, April 14, 1906.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned has received instruc-
 tions to sell by Public Auction,
 onTHURSDAY, FRIDAY AND
 SATURDAY,the 19th, 20th and 21st April, 1906, com-
 mencing at 2.30 p.m. on THURSDAY
 and FRIDAY, and at 11 a.m. on SATURDAY,
 at his Sales Rooms, DUNDRELL STREET,—A LARGE QUANTITY OF
 SILVER, IVORY, LACQUER AND
 SANDALWOOD WARE,
 Comprising:—
 SILVER TEA SETS, VASES, CUPS, PHOTO
 FRAMES, HAND MIRRORS, UMBRELLA
 HANDLES, COURT SHAKERS, &c., &c.
 IVORY BACKED ENIGMAS, TAYERS AND
 JEWEL BOXES, PHOTO FRAMES, VASES,
 CHESSEBORDS, HAND MIRRORS, &c., &c.
 LACQUER TEA AND COFFIN BOXES,
 CHESSEBORDS, HANDKERCHIEF BOXES, FANS,
 &c., &c., &c.
 SANDALWOOD JEWEL and TRINKET
 BOXES, CHESSEBORDS, PHOTO FRAMES,
 FANS, ORNAMENTS, &c., &c., &c.A Quantity of SILK EMBROIDERED HAND-
 KERCHIEFS, TABLE COVERS and CUSHION
 COVERS, GRASS CLOTH TABLE COVERS, TRAY
 CLOTHS and DOVILERS, &c.
 FONGEE (RIBBON) SILK GAVES, LILIES, &c.,
 &c.A Quantity of CASTLE BLACKWOOD
 PHOTO FRAMES.
 TERMS:—As Customary.
 On View from Wednesday, the 18th
 April, 1906.GEO. P. LAMMERT,
 Auctioneer.

BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEES.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

MESSRS HUGHES & HOUGH have
 received instructions to Sell by
 Public Auction, at 3 p.m.,
 on

THURSDAY,

the 3rd day of May, 1906, at their Sales
 Rooms, No. 8, DES VERTS ROAD,
 CENTRAL, Victoria, Hongkong,
 VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY
 Situate at Victoria, in the Colony of
 Hongkong, viz:—LOT 1. All that piece or parcel of
 ground registered in the Land Office as In-
 land Lot No. 15 together with the build-
 ings thereon known as No. 48 BONHAM
 STREET and No. 10, BOND STREET, area
 2575 square feet or thereabouts, Term 999
 years from the 31st day of December, 1850,
 created by a Crown Lease dated the 7th day
 of January, 1875. Annual Crown rent
 \$45.43.LOT 2. All that piece or parcel of
 ground registered in the Land Office as
 Marine Lot No. 78 together with the build-
 ings thereon known as No. 60, WYSE LANE
 STREET, and No. 268 Des Vaux Road, Cen-
 tral, Area 1,400 square feet or there-
 abouts. Term 999 years from the 26th day
 of December, 1866, created by a Crown
 Lease dated the 22nd day of May, 1897.
 Annual Crown rent \$24.68.
 For further particulars and Conditions of
 Sale, apply to
 Messrs JOHNSON, STOKES & MASTER,
 Vendee's Solicitors;
 or to
 Messrs HUGHES & HOUGH,
 Auctioneers.

Hongkong, April 14, 1906.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY
 LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOCHOW.

THE Company's Steamship
 HAICHING,
 Captain A. E. Hopkins, will be despatched
 for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the
 17th April, at 2 p.m.
 For Freight or Passage, apply to
 DOUGLAS, LAPEL & CO.,
 General Managers,
 Hongkong, April 14, 1906.

BEN LINE OF STEAMSHIPS.

FOR LONDON AND ANTWERP.

THE Steamship
 BENVEUE,
 Captain KROEGER, will be despatched
 for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 8th
 May, 1906.
 For Freight or Passage, apply to
 GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,
 Agents,
 Hongkong, April 14, 1906.

To-day's Advertisements

"LOST."

BLACK SPANIEL DOG; answers to
 the name of "Prince." When lost
 dog was wearing Collar bearing same name.
 Finder will be Rewarded on returning same
 to E. HUMPHREYS, c/o BUTTERFIELD &
 SWIRE.
 Hongkong, April 14, 1906.

WANTED.

LADY IN KOWLOON, desires PUPILS
 from 2 to 6 years.
 For Terms, etc.,
 apply
 Care of "CHINA MAIL" Office.
 Hongkong, April 14, 1906.

TO LET.

SEMI-Detached TWO STORED DWELL-
 ING HOUSE, on the SEA FRONT at
 KOWLOON (open on 3 Sides)—5 Rooms
 and large Square Hall, spacious Verandahs
 and Bathrooms, Electric Light and Bells.
 Water laid on, delightfully Cool. Prompt
 possession could be arranged.
 Apply to
 Care of "CHINA MAIL" Office.
 Hongkong, April 14, 1906.

TO LET.

FROM THE 16TH MAY NEXT.

SEMI-Detached VILLAS with 6 BIG
 ROOMS, in GARDEN ROAD, KOW-
 LOON, near the Ferry Wharf. Electric
 Fittings included.
 Rent Exceptionally Low.
 Apply to
 H. RUTTONJEE,
 5, D'Aguiar Street, or Kowloon.
 Hongkong, April 14, 1906.

THE DAIRY FARM CO., LD.

FINE
 FAT
 CAPONS
 AND
 CHICKENS.

FED ON OUR FARMS.

32 Cents per lb.

Hongkong, April 14, 1906.

BRITISH-INDIA STEAM NAVIGA-
 TION CO., LD.

FOR YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.

THE Company's Steamship
 OBRA,
 Captain A. H. Acland, will be despatched
 for the above Ports on SUNDAY, the 21st inst., at
 Daylight.
 For Freight or Passage, apply to
 ARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
 Agents.
 Hongkong, April 14, 1906.

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE

NORDEUTSCHER LOYD.

FOR MANILA, SIMPSONHAFEN,
 FRIEDRICH WILHELMSHAFEN,
 HERBERTSHOF, MATUJI, BRIS-
 BANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE.THE Departure of the Steamship
 PRINZ SIGISMUND,
 Captain LENT, will leave for the above
 places on TUESDAY, the 1st May, at
 Noon.
 This splendid Steamer is specially fitted
 for Passengers and is installed through-
 out with Electric Light.
 A duly qualified Surgeon and Stewards
 are carried.
 For Freight or Passage, apply to
 NORDEUTSCHER LOYD,
 MELOERS & CO.,
 Agents.
 Hongkong, April 14, 1906.AUSTRIAN NAVI-
 GATION
 COMPANY

STEAM FOR

TRIESTE DIRECT, Calling at
 SINGAPORE, PENANG, RANGOON,
 COLOMBO, BOMBAY, KARACHI,
 ADEN, SUVAZ and PORT SAID.(Taking cargo at through rates to the
 BRAZIL, to SOUTH AFRICA, PERMAN-
 GUA, RED SEA, ADRIATIC SEA, LEBANT,
 VENICE and ABRATTO PORTS).THE Chartered Steamship
 FILIPPO ARTIELLI,
 Captain RANOVICH, will be despatched
 for the above Ports on MONDAY, the 8th May.
 This Steamer has accommodation for
 passengers, Electric Light and carries a
 Doctor.
 For information as to Passage & Freight,
 apply to
 SANDER, WIELER, & CO.,
 Agents.
 Hongkong, April 14, 1906.

BARBER LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP WRAY CASTLE.

FROM STRAITS AND NEW YORK.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby
 notified that all Goods are being
 landed at their risk into the Godowns of
 the HONGKONG and KOWLOON WHARF and
 Godown Co., Ltd., at Kowloon, whence
 and from the Wharves delivery may be
 obtained.
 No Claims will be admitted after the
 Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods
 remaining undelivered after the 20th inst.,
 will be subject to rent.
 All Claims against the Steamer must be
 presented to the Undersigned on or before
 the 25th inst., or they will not be recog-
 nized.
 All Broken, Chafed, and Damaged Goods
 are to be left in the Godowns, where they
 will be examined on the 26th April, at
 3 p.m.
 No Fire Insurance has been effected.
 Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
 DODWELL & CO., LIMITED,
 Agents.
 Hongkong, April 14, 1906.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

April 12.

Tai-fu, German str., 1,005, O. Ueber-
 feldt, Swatow April 11, Ballast.—E. A.
 TRADING CO.Aperade, German str., 611, Ganthard,
 Pakhoi April 9, and Hoihow 11, General.
 JAMES & CO.Kanchow, British str., 1,217, Methers,
 Chefoo April 9, General.—BUTTERFIELD &
 SWIRE.Wachow, British str., 1,297, W. Brown,
 Singapore April 8, General.—CHINESE.Pangang, British steamer, 1,527, H.
 Walker, Waihai April 8, General.—JARDINE,
 MATHESON & CO.Takawa Maru, Japanese steamer, 2,200,
 Ota, Kuchinotsu April 6, Coal.—M. B. K.

April 13.

Dortmund, German str., 5,065, H. O.
 Wagner, Hamburg and Singapore April 7,
 General.—HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE.Hongkong, British str., 2,080, J. Slaker,
 Penang April 4, and Singapore 7, General.
 CHINESE.Chi Yuen, Chinese steamer, 1,177, O.
 Stewart, Shanghai April 10, General.—
 O. M. S. N. Co.Lisa, Swedish str., 1,577, H. Horndahl,
 Chefoo April 7, General.—SANDER, WIELER
 & CO.Wong-ko, German steamer, 1,115, W.
 Schmidt, Bangkok April 7, Rice.—
 MELCHERS & CO.Emma Luken, German str., 1,195, G.
 Conrad, Saigon April 9, Rice and Gen-
 eral.—CHINESE.Quik, German str., 987, F. Fehm,
 Yangtze April 9, Rice.—SUMNER & CO.Taitan, British str., 1,042, J. A. Martin,
 Bangkok April 7, Rice and Meal.—
 CHINESE.Meefoo, Chinese str., from Canton.
 April 14.Wray Castle, British str., 2,717, Francis
 McDermott, New York Feb. 21, and Singa-
 pore April 8, General.—DODWELL & CO.,
 LD.Koh-tschang, German steamer, 1,292, C.
 Goswirth, Bangkok April 5, General and
 Rice.—MELCHERS & CO.Maiduru Maru, Japanese str., 1,039,
 J. A. Martin, Amoy, via Amoy and
 Swatow April 13, General.—OSAKA SHOSEN
 KAISHA.Loosch, German str., 1,020, G. Schultzen,
 Bangkok April 5, and Swatow 13, Rice.—
 BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.Taitan, British steamer, 1,350, A. W.
 Outerbridge, Manila April 10, Sugar.—
 BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.Loosung, British str., 1,123, A. E.
 Sandhu, Manila April 11, General.—
 JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.Holstein, German str., 985, A. Niejahr,
 Haiphong and Hoihow April 13, General.—
 JAMES & CO.

Zri, Norwegian str., from Canton.

DEPARTURES.

April 13.

Pintado, for Shanghai.

Kaching, for Tientsin.

Shanghai, for Shanghai.

Shimosa, for New York.

Haiman, for Swatow.

Shanghai, for Saigon.

Wingang, for Canton.

Rubi, for Manila.

Quinta, for Canton.

Kanchow, for Canton.

CLEARED.

Daiji Maru, for Swatow.

Lafong, for Shanghai.

Akar, for Yokohama.

Tjibong, for Amoy.

PASSENGERS.

Per Taiwan, from Bangkok, Mr. Turner
 (British Legation Judge, Bangkok), Mrs.
 Turner, and Mr. Miller.Per Koh-tschang, from Bangkok, Mr.
 Kaufman.Per Haiman, from Manila, Miss C.
 Moore, Miss Wilson, Mr. W. Urquhart,
 Mr. G. K. Simmons, Mr. and Mrs. P. W.
 Almont, Messrs Belknap, C. H. Meadman,
 Harry Dehman, Ch. Peronano, J. A.
 Corless, Mrs. Tomasso Dyon, Mr. and Mrs.
 J. C. Vicens, Messrs O'Brien, Mr. R. R.
 Fison, Mrs. N. Coma, Messrs Katt Jan-
 son, Marston, Mr. and Mrs. Yoshiochi,
 and Mrs. Kayo; for Kobe, Messrs Gun-
 takami, Takasaka, Makamuro, Mr.
 Grundy, and Misses Gundry (2); for Yoko-
 hama, Mr. and Mrs. Moss, Mrs. Suter,
 Messrs C. Corless, B.